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Statement from Governor Jan Brewer
Flags Lowered in Memory of Phoenix Police Detective John Hobbs

"It was with shock and sorrow that I learned of the murder of an honorable Phoenix Police Detective, John Hobbs. A fugitive-apprehension officer and 21-year veteran of the department, Detective Hobbs was the victim of a senseless shooting while on duty Monday afternoon in Phoenix.

"Detective Hobbs dedicated his life to protecting the community and making it a better place for all to live. It is a stark and saddening reminder that, for our men and women in law enforcement, no day on the job is ever without danger. His memory and noble service will forever be remembered and cherished by the eternally grateful state of Arizona. Please say a prayer for Detective Hobbs, his family and his fellow brothers and sisters in law enforcement as we mourn this unthinkable tragedy. Please also continue to pray for the recovery of Detective Hobbs' fellow officer, who was critically injured in the shooting.

"In honor and recognition of one of Arizona's finest, Detective John Hobbs, I have requested that all state flags be lowered to half-staff until sunset today and on the day of his interment, for which services are pending."

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